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The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. HASTINGS of Washington).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, September 15, 2006.

I hereby appoint the Honorable DOC HASTINGS to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer:
Lord God, Fountain of wisdom, in all human endeavors knowledge is essential, but heartfelt dedication gives nobility to any deed.

Learning and information help a person, Lord, to be successful. But each human will of good decision-making and determination gives power and lasting dignity to any work undertaken.

Therefore, Lord, grant to anyone who works in a democratic Republic such as ours the commitment to continually learn more and more about themselves, the world in which they live, and the problems they face. But especially grant Your chosen people a depth of perception by which they become truly desirous of always seeking what is best, not just out of self-interest but as the lasting good for all. For them mind and heart together are lifted to a higher level of reality which reflects You the Ultimate Creator and Universal Savior of others, both now and forever. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the

last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

APPOINTMENT OF HON. DOC HASTINGS TO ACT AS SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE TO SIGN ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS THROUGH SEPTEMBER 19, 2006

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, September 15, 2006.

I hereby appoint the Honorable DOC HASTINGS to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through September 19, 2006.

J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the appointment is approved.

There was no objection.

SENATE ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, announced his signature to enrolled bills of the Senate of the following titles:

S. 2590. An act to require full disclosure of all entities and organizations receiving Federal funds.

S. 2784. An act to award a congressional gold medal to Tenzin Gyatso, the Fourteenth Dalai Lama, in recognition of his many en-

during and outstanding contributions to peace, non-violence, human rights, and religious understanding.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday next for morning hour debate.

There was no objection.

Accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 4 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, September 19, 2006, at 12:30 p.m., for morning hour debate.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

9428. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Asian Longhorned Beetle; Addition and Removal of Quarantined Areas in New Jersey [Docket No. 05-066-2] received September 8, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

9429. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting the annual report of the Maritime Administration (MARAD) for Fiscal Year 2005, pursuant to 46 U.S.C. app. 1118; to the Committee on Armed Services.

9430. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Threshold for Small Business Specialist Review [DFARS Case 2003-D060] received August 15, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

9431. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Contract Reporting [DFARS Case 2005-D004] received August 15, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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9432. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Contract Administration Functions [DFARS Case 2003-D051] received August 15, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

9433. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Ricardo S. Sanchez, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

9434. A letter from the Comptroller of the Currency, Administrator of National Banks, transmitting four issues of the Quarterly Journal for FY 2005, the annual report for FY 2005, and a review of the actions the Office has taken during FY 2005 with regard to the applicability of state law to national banks, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 14; to the Committee on Financial Services.

9435. A letter from the Chief Counsel, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Suspension of Community Eligibility [Docket No. FEMA-7939] received September 6, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

9436. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Bureau of Public Debt, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Government Securities Act Regulations: Applicability to Over-the-Counter Derivatives Dealers [Docket No. BPD GSRs 06-01] (RIN: 1505-AB70) received September 11, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

9437. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final rule — Federal Student Aid Programs (RIN: 1840-AC87) received September 6, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

9438. A letter from the Interim Director, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule — Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits — received September 6, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

9439. A letter from the General Counsel, FERC, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Revision of Regulations to Require Reporting of Damage to Natural Gas Pipeline Facilities [Docket No. RM06-18-000] received September 11, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

9440. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Copies of international agreements, other than treaties, entered into by the United States, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b; to the Committee on International Relations.

9441. A letter from the Deputy Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, Transmittal No. 06-46, concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Germany for defense articles and services; to the Committee on International Relations.

9442. A letter from the Deputy Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, Transmittal No. 06-

28, concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Korea for defense articles and services; to the Committee on International Relations.

9443. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary for Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting a report that the Department intends to expand foreign policy-based export controls on certain items to Dubai, United Arab Emirates under the authority of Section 6 of the Export Administration Act of 1979; to the Committee on International Relations.

9444. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Implementation in the Export Administration Regulations of the United States' Rescission of Libya's Designation as a State Sponsor of Terrorism and Revisions Applicable to Iraq [Docket No. 060816218-6218-01] (RIN: 0694-AD81) received September 6, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

9445. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — December 2005 Wassenaar Arrangement Plenary Agreement Implementation: Categories 1, 2, 3, 5 Part I (telecommunications), 5 Part II (Information Security), 6, 8, and 9 of the Commerce Control List; Wassenaar Reporting Requirements; Definitions; and Certain New or Expanded Export Controls [Docket No. 060807211-6211-01] (RIN: 0694-AD73) received September 6, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

9446. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Revision and Clarification of Civil Monetary Penalty Provisions of the Export Administration Regulations [Docket No. 060721198-6198-01] (RIN: 0694-AD74) received August 4, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

9447. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Revisions to the Export Administration Regulations Based on the 2005 Missile Technology Control Regime Plenary Agreements [Docket No. 060714193-6193-01] (RIN: 0694-AD65) received August 4, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

9448. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 3(d) of the Arms Export Control Act, certification regarding the proposed transfer of major defense equipment from the Government of Saudi Arabia; to the Committee on International Relations.

9449. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 3(d) of the Arms Export Control Act, certification regarding the proposed transfer of major defense equipment from the Government of the Netherlands (Transmittal No. RSAT-02-06); to the Committee on International Relations.

9450. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, certification regarding the proposed license for the export of defense equipment to the Government of Belgium (Transmittal No. DDTC 025-06); to the Committee on International Relations.

9451. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 36(d) of the

Arms Export Control Act, certification regarding the proposed manufacturing license agreement for the manufacture of significant military equipment to the Republic of Korea (Transmittal No. DDTC 038-06); to the Committee on International Relations.

9452. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction that was declared in Executive Order 12938 of November 14, 1994, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

9453. A letter from the Acting Associate Director, Program Policy and Imp., Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Iranian Transactions Regulations — received August 24, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

9454. A letter from the Chief, U.S. Army FOIA/PA Office, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — The Army Privacy Program [Docket No. USA-2006-0011] (RIN: 0702-AA53) received August 24, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

9455. A letter from the Deputy Chief Counsel for Regulations, TSA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Privacy Act of 1974: Implementation of Exemptions; Intelligence, Enforcement, Internal Investigation, and Background Investigation Records [Docket No. TSA-2004-19845; Amendment No. 1507-2] (RIN: 1652-AA34) received August 3, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

9456. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, transmitting the Board's final rule — Thrift Savings Plan Service Office and ThriftLine Contact Information — received September 6, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

9457. A letter from the Deputy Archivist of the United States, National Archives and Records Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — General Guidelines for Systematic Declassification Review of Foreign Government Information; Removal of Part [NARA-06-006] (RIN: 3095-AB51) received September 8, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

9458. A letter from the Director, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting the Office's final rule — Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Executive Branch; Amendments to Clarify the Coverage of Detaillees to an Agency Under the Intergovernmental Personnel Act (RIN: 3209-AA04) received August 24, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

9459. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's final rule — Personnel Management in Agencies — Employee Surveys (RIN: 3206-AK77) received September 5, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

9460. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's final rule — Employee Responsibilities and Conduct (RIN: 3206-AJ74) received September 5, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

9461. A letter from the General Counsel, Office of Justice Programs, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule — Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program [Docket No.: OJP (OJP)-1333] (RIN:

1121-AA56) received August 10, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

9462. A letter from the Assistant Secretary Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's final rule — Visas: Documentation of Nonimmigrants Under the Immigration and Nationality Act, as Amended [Public Notice:] received August 14, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

9463. A letter from the Federal Register Certifying Officer, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Management of Federal Agency Disbursements (RIN: 1510-AB07) received August 2, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

9464. A letter from the Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting the Board's highway accident report that was adopted on April 18, 2006, involving a multivehicle collision on the approach to the Hampshire-Marengo Toll Plaza near Hampshire, Illinois; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9465. A letter from the Deputy General Counsel, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Release of Information to News and Information Media (RIN: 2700-AD25) received September 6, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Science.

9466. A letter from the Acting Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — NASA Grant and Cooperative Agreement Handbook — Resource Sharing Requirements (RIN: 2700-AD28) received September 7, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Science.

9467. A letter from the Regulation Policy and Management, VBA, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — Schedule for Rating Disabilities; Guidelines for Application of Evaluation Criteria for Certain Respiratory and Cardiovascular Conditions; Evaluation of Hypertension with Heart Disease (RIN: 2900-AL26) received September 8, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

9468. A letter from the Regulation Policy and Management, VBA, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — Claims Based on Aggravation of a Nonservice-Connected Disability (RIN: 2900-AI42) received September 8, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

9469. A letter from the Tracking and Control, Regulation Management, VBA, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — New and Material Evidence (RIN: 2900-AM15) received September 8, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

9470. A letter from the Secretary for Regulatory Policy and Management, VBA, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — Veterans Benefits Act of 2003 and Veterans Benefits Improvement Act of 2004 (RIN: 2900-AM27) received August 4, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

9471. A letter from the Chairman, United States International Trade Commission, transmitting the Commission's report entitled, "The Year in Trade 2005: Operation of the Trade Agreements Program," prepared in conformity with Section 163(c) of the Trade Act of 1974; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

9472. A letter from the Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Legislative and Public Affairs, United States Agency for International Development, transmitting a report on the program to be initiated in Cuba by the Office of Transition Initiatives; jointly to the Committees on International Relations and Appropriations.

9473. A letter from the Acting Executive Director, District of Columbia Retirement Board, transmitting the Board's annual report for fiscal year 2005, pursuant to Public Law 96-122, section 162; jointly to the Committees on Government Reform and Appropriations.

9474. A letter from the Board Members, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting the Board's budget request for fiscal year 2008, in accordance with Section 7(f) of the Railroad Retirement Act, pursuant to 45 U.S.C. 231f(f); jointly to the Committees on Appropriations, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Ways and Means.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. SENSENBRENNER: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 5830. A bill to amend section 29 of the International Air Transportation Competition Act of 1979 relating to air transportation to and from Love Field, Texas; with an amendment (Rept. 109-600, Pt. 2). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 5808. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to make grants to public transportation agencies and over-the-road bus operators to improve security, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 109-662). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. SENSENBRENNER: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 5414. A bill to enact certain laws relating to public contracts as title 41,

United States Code, "Public Contracts" (Rept. 109-663). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. HUNTER: Committee on Armed Services. H.R. 6054. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize trial by military commission for violations of the law of war, and for other purposes; with amendments (Rept. 109-664 Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XII the following action was taken by the Speaker:

H.R. 6054. Referral to the Committees on International Relations and the Judiciary extended for a period ending not later than September 18, 2006.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. SENSENBRENNER:

H.R. 6089. A bill to restore the Secretary of Homeland Security's authority to detain dangerous aliens, to affirm the inherent authority of State and local law enforcement to assist in the enforcement of immigration laws, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SENSENBRENNER:

H.R. 6090. A bill to reform immigration litigation procedures and combat alien gang crime; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SENSENBRENNER:

H.R. 6091. A bill to secure the borders of the United States, and to ensure the removal of deportable criminal aliens; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 2239: Ms. HART.

H.R. 5139: Mr. REGULA.

DISCHARGE PETITIONS—ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS

The following Members added their names to the following discharge petition:

Petition 14 by Mr. FILNER on House Resolution 917: John Barrow, Robert Wexler, and Zoe Lofgren of California.